

DATE: May 13, 2003

Dear Chairman Powell;

This is important stuff!

I ask you to STOP the FCC rule changes on June 2 which I view as being influenced by unrepresentative, unfair, grossly biased and self-serving media business profit interests.

You can STOP the conglomeration and destruction of our public news and information resources.

Please remember your position as protector of the general public's ownership of the broadcast frequencies and my right to be served and informed by this resource about what is going on in my country?

Here in Milwaukee I am already stuck with only one daily newspaper with an editorial view that poorly serves the alternative news and views I (and many friends) need to function and contribute to a healthy community. The broadcast TV co-ownership in town has also screwed me with endless infotainment drivel and parroting of news bites pulled off the AP wire. THIS IS NOT LOCAL NEWS with PUBLIC SERVICE mandate –

THESE ARE PROFIT MAKING MACHINES!

Do you get it?

Because I'm not getting it! – that is, the News, Information, Public Service, Community Awareness - the stuff I/WE need to survive and thrive in a country that's hurting bad now.

I use my precious time to search and scrape from alternative news to help me try to do good things. Most folks are'n't so fortunate or have the resources find out what they need to know.

If you support this rule change, your attacking me, my ability, and my spirit to be a caring, effective citizen for this country.

My question to you:

Do you want balanced news and information from the media and informed US citizens?

OR

more concentrated ownership, and wealth for media owners and fewer jobs for media industry employees, and ignorant, misguided masses ??

I will look forward to your response to my question and serious concerns on this matter.

Best Regards,

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